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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6538

BILL NUMBER: SB 132

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 31, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Water Utility Resource Data.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Gard

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires each water utility that provides water service in Indiana to annually submit to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) a report on the utility's: (1) operations; and (2) use of water resources; in providing water service to the utility's Indiana customers. It allows the IURC to prescribe the process, deadlines, and other requirements for submitting the annual reports, but requires the IURC to collect certain information concerning each water utility's utility plant in service and use of water resources in Indiana.

The bill requires the IURC to include a summary of the data and information contained in the reports in:
(1) an annual report to the Legislative Council; and
(2) the commission's annual report on the water and wastewater industries provided to the Regulatory Flexibility Committee. It authorizes the IURC to adopt rules to implement the reporting requirements.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *IURC:* This bill allows the IURC to adopt rules to implement certain reporting requirements outlined in the bill. It also requires the IURC to include in its annual report to the Regulatory Flexibility Committee a summary of the data and information contained in the reports received from water utilities. The IURC's current level of resources should be sufficient to implement this provision.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill could increase local expenditures by an indeterminate

amount. The bill would require municipally owned utilities to annually submit to the IURC a report on the municipally owned utility's operations and use of water resources in providing water service to its Indiana customers.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: IURC.

Local Agencies Affected: Municipally owned utilities.

Information Sources:

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